

Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

_____Norman County SWCD_____ District FY09 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Wind and Water Erosion
Water Quality
Invasive Species
Energy
Pasture Condition & Grazing

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

Wild Rice Watershed District

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Wind and Water Erosion Concerns
Invasive Species Concerns
Water Quality Concerns

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

Soil Erosion, Energy, and Water Quality: Does this application install either a cover crop or a strip-till/No-till System? 9 points

Soil Erosion and Water Quality: Does this application install a field border, Windbreak/Shelterbelt or permanent grass cover? 14 points

Invasive Species: Does this application install a practice to control invasive species? 9 points

Soil Erosion and Water Quality: Does this application install an erosion control practice such as a Grade Stabilization Structure, Water and Sediment Control Basin or similar practice associated with water erosion? 10 points

Energy: Does this application install a practice that conserves energy such as No-till/Strip-Till system, Shelterbelt establishment, Grass Establishment for energy, etc..? 3 points

5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.

6. Submit this worksheet electronically to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 09 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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